

2001 CATTLE, MILK, AND HOG HIGHLIGHTS

CATTLE

Cattle marketings during 2001 totaled 31.5 million pounds live weight, 21 percent below 2000, as the number of cattle and calves marketed declined 19 percent to 59,000 head. Not only were there fewer total cattle and calves marketed, but the proportion of heavier cattle marketed was smaller, both contributing to the decline. Exports during 2001 totaled 46,000 head, accounting for nearly 80 percent of all of the cattle and calves sold. The majority of animals exported were calves weighing less than 500 pounds, live weight. Local commercial slaughter during 2001 dipped 25 percent from 2000 to 12,700 head.

The annual average price ranchers received for all cattle and calves marketed increased 18 percent to \$57.10 per cwt., an increase resulting from improved prices for exports. Cash revenues for 2001, however, declined 6 percent from 2000 to \$18.0 million, a direct result of fewer cattle and calves sold. The inventory of cattle and calves on Hawaii's ranches totaled 152,000 head on January 1, 2002, an increase of 1 percent from 2001, but a decrease of 7 percent from 2000. The island of Hawaii which accounts for about 75 percent of the State's total, recorded a 3 percent increase in inventory to 113,600 head.

MILK

Hawaii's dairy cows produced 105.8 million pounds of milk in 2001 compared with 116.3 million pounds produced the previous year. About 68 percent of the milk was produced on Oahu, and the remainder on other islands, mostly Hawaii island. Statewide revenues for milk sold at the farm level during the year totaled \$26.5 million, 6 percent below 2000 receipts, the third year of decline. Producers received an average \$25.50 per hundredweight for milk delivered to the processors, \$1.00 more than 2000. The number of milk cows declined 600 head to 7,500 in 2001. The annual average output per cow was 14,107 pounds compared with 14,358 pounds produced in 2000.

HOGS AND PIGS

Pork production during 2001 declined 3 percent to 5.4 million pounds, while the number of hogs marketed remained unchanged at 31,000 head. The average price farmers received for their hogs and pigs increased 6 percent to \$83.80 per hundred pounds, resulting in an increase in cash receipts from the sales of hogs and pigs to \$4.5 million, during 2001. The total number of hogs and pigs on hand in the State on December 1, 2001 was 27,000 head, 1,000 more than in 2000. The hog and pig inventory on the island of Oahu, at 14,800 head, declined to about 55 percent of the State's inventory.